

Community Food and Nutrition Program
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Grantee: Action for Boston Community Development
178 Tremont Street
Boston, MA 02111

Contact Person: Mr. Robert Choard
(617) 348-6605

Organization Description:

Action for Boston Community Development (ABCD) is the City of Boston's officially designated antipoverty agency since 1964, serving over 100,000 low-income families annually.

Target Population:

Poverty rates in the areas serviced include: 20.9% in Jamaica Plain, 37.3% in Fenway, 27.1% in Roxbury, and 19.5% in Boston. Children under age 18 comprise 5% of the poverty rate in Jamaica Plain, 28% in the combined Roxbury-Fenway area.

Grant Proposal:

ABCD proposes to build staff and technical capacity at three of its Neighborhood Service centers, to support the on-line Food Stamp Application Program. ABCD plans to become the nutrition advocates for poverty stricken neighborhoods of Mission Hill, Parker Hill, Fenway, Roxbury, Jamaica Plain and the North End of Boston. ABCD expects that each of these service delivery sites will process at least 150 on-line food stamp applications per year, and conduct nutrition workshops at least 10 times per year.

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Grantee: Boat People SOS, Inc.
6066 Leesburg Pike, Suite 100
Falls Church, VA 22041-2234

Contact Person: Ms. Khanh T. Tran
(703) 538-2190

Organization Description:

Founded in 1980, Boat People SOS, Inc. is a national grassroots organization with branch offices in 14 locations nationwide. Their mission is to assist Vietnamese refugees and immigrants in their search for a life in liberty and dignity by empowering, organizing, and equipping individuals and communities in their progress towards financial self-sufficiency and social integration.

Target Population:

Montgomery County and Prince George's County form the primary service area for this project, with these two counties housing 65% of the Vietnamese population in the State of Maryland. Limited services will also be provided to Vietnamese living in small, isolated clusters in Baltimore, Towson, Bowie, and Annapolis.

Grant Project:

Health Awareness Program for Immigrants (HAPI) Nutrition will build capacity existing food and nutrition programs, and for Vietnamese-American faith-based organizations, to promote healthy diet among the 18,000 Vietnamese refugees and immigrants in the State of Maryland. The project's goals in the 12-month project period:

- (1) existing programs will acquire the capabilities to conduct community outreach and education on food and nutrition using knowledge, behavior, attitude, and social marketing to connect Vietnamese refugees and immigrants with current food and nutrition programs;
- (2) existing programs will develop the cultural competency and community connections to serve Vietnamese refugees and immigrants; and
- (3) local Vietnamese-American faith-based and community organizations will inform their respective constituencies regarding food and nutrition, and refer individuals for assistance.

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Grantee: CAPITAL AREA FOOD BANK
645 Taylor Street, NE
Washington, DC 20017

Contact Person: Ms. Lynn Brantley
(202) 526-5344

Organization Description:

Now in its 25th year, the CAPITAL AREA FOOD BANK has built a history of community involvement which grew out of the need to create a viable food supply for those at risk of hunger in the District of Columbia. Established in 1980, in the past year the food bank distributed over 20 million pounds of food and other necessities to over 285,000 area citizens through 700 partner community agencies.

Target Population:

Of the 159,000 residents in the District of Columbia, 57,609 are not ensured adequate access to food and 23,847 actually go hungry. In the Food Bank service area alone, 100,000 children are at risk of hunger; 1 in 3 children are at risk of going to bed hungry; and the poverty rate for children is 35.2%, compared to 17.6% nationally.

Grant Proposal:

The CAPITAL AREA FOOD BANK's project "Food and Skills" will help build capacity at the local level by providing nutritional education classes to low-income families, at 20% of poverty or greater.

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Grantee: Catholic Charities of Los Angeles, Inc.
1531 James M. Wood Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90015

Contact Person: Reverend Monsignor Gregory Cox
(213) 251-3464

Organization Description:

Since 1919, Catholic Charities of Los Angeles, Inc. (CCLA) has served as the human services arm of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles. CCLA is one of the largest social service providers in Los Angeles, Ventura and Santa Barbara counties. In more than 50 offices and community centers, CCLA has provided 1,286,000 services to 242,000 individuals during the past year.

Target Population:

The target group is low-income families with children under the age of 12 who utilize services at St. Catherine of Alexandria Center, St. Mary's Center, and the San Juan Diego center. St. Catherine's population is 91% African-American. St. Mary's and San Juan Diego Center serve significant Latino client populations, 59% and 91% respectively.

Grant Proposal:

CCLA will implement a child nutrition program to meet the nutritional needs of children under the age of 12 in no income and low-income families living in the central Los Angeles area and San Gabriel Valley.

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Grantee: City of Lincoln, Nebraska
2740 A Street
Lancaster, NE 68502

Contact Person: Mr. Lynn Johnson
(402) 441-8265

Organization Description:

The Lincoln Park Recreation Department (LPRD) operates seven recreational centers and facilities, numerous sports fields and courts, five public golf courses, and 11 public swimming pools. LPRD has established a successful history of providing services in its parks, public gardens, and recreational opportunities for nearly 100 years.

Target Population:

125 to 150 children, ages 6 – 18 years old, and their low-income, minority families, will comprise the primary target group. South-Central Lincoln has 25,016 residents and is the second most densely populated neighborhood in the city. Minorities residing in this community include: 8.3% Hispanic, 5.3% African-American, 1.1% Native American, 3.7% Asian, and 3.3% Bi-racial. 19.7% of South-Central Lincoln's population is under 18 years old, and most families are single parent households.

Grant Proposal:

The "Food, Fun and Fitness Project" will develop innovative approaches to combining nutrition education, easy food preparation, community gardens, physical fitness and access to food resources, to address childhood obesity concerns.

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Grantee: Community Farm Alliance, Inc.
614 Shelby Street
Frankfort, KY 40330

Contact Person: Ms. Deborah Webb
(502) 223-3655

Organization Description:

Since 1985, Community Farm Alliance (CFA), Inc. members have created 20 farmers markets, including the Smoketown/Shelby Park Farmer's Market and the Portland Farmer's Market. CFA received a Kellogg grant in 1994 and a \$300,000 grant from the Ford Foundation.

Target Population:

West Louisville is a low-income, predominantly African American section of Kentucky's largest city. Home to 77,724 low-income residents, West Louisville is one of the state's poorest neighborhoods. The average household income is \$16,054, with a poverty rate of 38% and unemployment rate of 10%.

Grant Proposal:

Residents do not have access to fresh, healthy foods, leading to health problems for children and adults. The "Bridging the Divide: Growing Self-Sufficiency in West Louisville" project will improve access to healthy, locally grown food. "Kid's Café" feeding program will provide healthy food choices to children, while seniors will benefit from the "Spencer County Vegetable Co-op", which accepts senior farmer's market nutrition program coupons. CFA will also serve families through the WIC Farmer's Market demonstration project.

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Grantee: Community Servings, Inc.
125 Magazine Street
Roxbury, MA 02119

Contact Person: Ms. Tobin Scipione
(617) 445-7777

Organization Description:

Community Servings, Inc. has 15 years experience feeding individuals living with HIV/AIDS. Community Servings, Inc. expanded their mission in June 2004 to serve individuals living with any type of acute life threatening illness.

Target Population:

68% of the target population represents minorities: 41% African-American, 19% Hispanic, 3% Haitian, 1% Native American/Eskimo/Aleutian, 2% Bi-racial. Clients represent 15 disease categories.

Grant Proposal:

Community Servings will implement the “Food for Health Initiative”, which will serve low-income clients according to their level of nutritional crisis and immediate health needs. This initiative will include a “Therapeutic Meals Program”, nutrition education classes, and client monitoring and data collection to track the impact of specialized diets on health.

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Grantee: CU COOPERATIVE EXTENSION ASSOCIATION
615 Willow Avenue
Ithaca, NY 14850

Contact Person: Dr. Kenneth Schlather
(607) 272-2292

Organization Description:

Cornell University cooperative Extension Association has a history of convening citizen groups around local issues and taking steps to move the dialogue on food security progressively forward. This organization is the primary provider of nutrition education for limited resource families and youth in Tompkins County, having provided USDA-funded programs for 35 years and “Eat Smart New York” programs since 1997.

Target Population:

17.6% of Tompkins County’s population lives below the Federal poverty level, a rate higher than New York State overall. Almost half (45%) of Tompkins County residents live in rural areas, and 58% are urban dwellers. County residents are 85.5% Caucasian, 3.6% African-American, 31% Latino, and 7.2% Asian.

Grant Proposal:

The “Tompkins County Women with Infants and Children (WIC) Outreach and Food Security Project” will identify, map and address local barriers to food security, while building service capacity among food assistance and social service agencies. A social marketing campaign will target 500 rural and urban WIC recipients to promote health benefits and to advocate the consumption of fruits and vegetables.

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Grantee: Cultivating Community
10 Elm Street, Suite 305A
Portland, ME 04104

Contact Person: Mr. Craig Lapine

Organization Description:

Cultivating Community is a grassroots non-profit agency, with headquarters in East Bayside/Kennedy Park, Portland's second largest public housing development, and West Bayside, Portland's most diverse neighborhood and social services hub. Since 2001, Cultivating Community has worked to secure a more sustainable, food-secure Portland, through their agriculture-based youth and community development programs.

Target Population:

8 in 10 households in a "Community Hunger Identification Project Survey" reported that adults routinely sacrificed for their children by eating less, skipping meals entirely, or by eating less nutritious food. The State of Maine ranks 38th among U. S. states for income. Portland has Maine's worst urban poverty, with 39.7% of children under age 5 living in families eligible for WIC benefits.

Grant Proposal:

Cultivating Community will develop a barter-based community-supported agriculture project. This project will be rooted in already established urban gardens, plus new urban growing spaces coming into production over the next two seasons. An unemployment and skill building component will improve economic opportunities for low-income youth, while a collaborative food policy initiative will improve the overall climate for increasing access and availability of local produce.

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Grantee: Fayette County Community Action Agency, Inc.
140 N. Beeson Boulevard
Fayette, PA 15401

Contact Person: Mr. James Stark
(724) 430-3011

Organization Description:

Fayette County Community Action Agency, Inc. (FCCAA) is the coordinator and lead provider of food and nutrition programs in Fayette County. The FCCAA Food Bank, initiated in the late 1970s, currently has 66 member agencies, 48 of which are food pantries, and the remaining encompassing soup kitchens, shelters, and on-site feeding sites. FCCAA assist low-income individuals of all ages with concerns of nutrition, aging, housing, education and health care.

Target Population:

Located within the Appalachian region, Fayette County is primarily a rural community (70.8% rural population). Approximately 18% of the population lives below the Federal poverty level. The target population includes: 19% Asian or Pacific Islander, 11% American Indian or Alaska Native, 3.5% African-American, and 3% Hispanic.

Grant Proposal:

FCCAA will establish a new FCCAA Food Bank Initiative – “Learning Exercise and Nutrition” (LEAN). 300 families will be provided physical fitness and nutrition education information.

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Grantee: Florida Impact
345 South Magnolia Drive, Suite E11
Tallahassee, FL 32301

Contact Person: Dr. Debra A. Susie
(850) 309-1488

Organization Description:

Florida Impact received a USDA Regional Sunshine Award for identifying Florida's hunger and poverty rates and its under-use of the Summer Food Service Program (SFSP). A 1996 July 4th story on CNN News, generated by Florida Impact's findings, resulted in the Florida Education Commissioner contacting Florida Impact and committing to an aggressive two-year SFSP outreach campaign. Florida Impact collaborated with the Washington, D. C. based Food Research and Action Center and the Department of Education in publishing "A Guidebook to the Summer Food Service Program".

Target Population:

In the six counties targeted for this project, children have not had access to summer food for the last two to three years. Four of the counties have child poverty rates higher than the state's average of 18%.

Grant Proposal:

The 2005 Florida State Legislature passed a law designed to increase access to the Federal Summer Food Service Program (SFSP). Florida Impact will assist community leaders with implementing the provisions of this law in counties where children have had inadequate or no previous access to the SFSP. Florida Impact will conduct community organizing strategies to help local leaders start up or expand summer food sites, so the counties may comply with the law's requirements.

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Grantee: Food Bank for New York City
Food for Survival, Inc.
355 Food Center Drive
Bronx, NY 10474

Contact Person: Ms. Margarette Purvis
(212) 566-7855

Organization Description:

The Food Bank for New York City Food for Survival, Inc. (The Food Bank NYC) was founded in 1983 to coordinate collection and distribution of food donations to organizations providing free food to New York City's most vulnerable citizens. As the largest food bank in the United States, and the only one in New York City, The Food Bank NYC is the primary source of free food for New York's sizable system of food pantries, soup kitchens, shelters, low-income day care centers, after-school programs and senior, youth and rehabilitation centers.

Target Population:

The population benefiting from Outreach centers will mirror those currently using emergency food programs, primarily older adults, the disabled, women with children, and the working poor.

Grant Proposal:

The Food Bank NYC will establish 10 outreach centers in New York City. Outreach centers will promote an integrated approach to food and nutrition through various services: direct benefits services, eligibility screening for food stamps, health screenings, and referrals to community food resource programs.

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Grantee: Food Bank of Central New York
6970 Schuyler Road
East Syracuse, NY 13057

Contact Person: Mr. Thomas Slater
(315) 437-1899

Organization Description:

The Food Bank, founded in 1985, has developed a strong public, private and government collaboration that supplies food to hungry low-income individuals through a network of 575 food assistance programs in central and northern New York. In 2004, the Food Bank distributed approximately 10 million pounds of food in an eleven county service area. The Food Bank's mission is to provide a nutrition focus that accompanies each delivery to member programs, as well as advocating for more creative collaborations to address the problems of hunger.

Target Population:

The target population is low-income individuals living in Oneida and Onondaga Counties who access the emergency food network. The unemployment rate in 2004 was 5.1%. The target population consists of 10% African-American, 3% Hispanic, 2% Asian, 1% American Indian and 84% Caucasian. In Onondaga county, the rate of obesity among adults 18 years and older is 20.3% and 39.2% are overweight. In Oneida county, the obesity rate is 25.7% and 36% are overweight.

Grant Proposal:

The Food Bank will conduct a Community Collaboration Project which will engage Community-based groups in central New York as partners, to link low-income individuals to food and nutrition programs. The project includes: assisting eligible individuals apply for Food Stamp benefits, increasing access to fresh produce, promoting physical activity, and increasing knowledge about the consumption of fruits, low-fat dairy products and vegetables.

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Grantee: Food Change
39 Broadway, 10th Floor
New York, NY 10006

Contact Person: Mr. Richard Murphy
(212) 894-1562

Organization Description:

Food Change was established 25 years ago providing meals to New York City's individuals and families at-risk for hunger. Among Food change's achievements over the past two decades are innovative programs that have served more than 1.5 million meals, increased participation in school meals and summer meal programs, revived competitive food shopping in inner-city neighborhoods, and education of youngsters and adults on how to prepare and enjoy fresh produce.

Target Population:

Low-income seniors are the target population for this project. More than 25,700 seniors (age 65 and older) reside in East and Central Harlem. Approximately 33% live below the poverty level. In New York City overall, the Asian poverty rate is 24% compared to the city's elderly poverty rate of 18%.

Grant Proposal:

Food Change will create the "Vegetable of the Month for Seniors" program, linking low-income seniors with hands-on capacity-building cooking workshops, nutrition education presentations, and field trips to increase seniors' skills and confidence in purchasing, preparing, and consuming fresh vegetables. The benefits of this project include disease prevention, increased health overall and improved dietary behavior.

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Grantee: The Food Trust
1201 Chestnut Street, 4th Floor
Philadelphia, PA 19107

Contact Person: Mr. R. Perry
(215) 568-0830

Organization Description:

The Food Trust was established in 1992 to increase the availability of fresh foods, develop a stable food supply, and improve the connection of resources between urban and agricultural communities.

Target Population:

The Philadelphia Healthy Corner Store Project will focus on three low-income communities in Philadelphia: Francis Hopkinson School, Olney elementary School and Southwark School. 55% of residents near Francis Hopkinson School live at 184% of the poverty level or below. 56% of residents near Southwark School live at 184% of the poverty level or below. (Grantee did not supply percent of poverty rate for residents near Olney Elementary School.

Grant Proposal:

The Corner Store Project will implement an educational and social marketing campaign to increase the consumption of school breakfasts and to decrease the consumption of unhealthy snacks and beverages at corner stores surrounding schools in the target area community.

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Grantee: Foodlink, Inc.
936 Exchange Street
Rochester, NY 14608

Contact Person: Mr. Thomas Ferraro
(585) 328-3380

Organization Description:

Foodlink is America's Second Harvest Food Bank for a 10 county area in the Genesee Valley and Finger Lakes region. Located in Rochester and in operation for over 28 years, Foodlink distributes more than 7 million pounds of food annually to 550 member organizations, including food pantries, soup kitchens, shelters and non-emergency programs for low-income families.

Target Population:

Foodlink's target population is low-income children who are eligible for free or reduced breakfasts and lunches during the school year, yet do not currently attend "Kids Café" after-school and summer meal program sites.

Grant Proposal:

Foodlink will implement a "Kids Café" initiative to increase the number of at-risk children with access to meal sites during the school year and summer months. A needs assessment survey will be conducted to identify service gaps and barriers to existing services. The results will lead to increased access to meal programs by securing additional sites where needed, and to overcoming barriers to participation at existing sites.

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Grantee: FRATERNITE NOTRE DAME, INC.
502 North Central Avenue
Chicago, IL 60644

Contact Person: Sister Marie Virginia
(773) 261-0101

Organization Description:

FRATERNITE NOTRE DAME, INC., a religious and humanitarian organization, was established in East Harlem, New York in 1990. Since its arrival in Chicago in 1998, has established numerous linkages with local community providers, and through these collaborations operates a soup kitchen, food pantry, mobile soup kitchen and “Kid’s Café” after-school program.

Target Population:

The target population is identified by a 17.9% rate of unemployment, 46.1% below poverty level, 35.4% of childhood poverty and 37.8% of the population is on public aid. This area is plagued by numerous social problems including a high incidence of crime, domestic violence, delinquency, the presence of gangs and teenage pregnancy.

Grant Proposal:

FRATERNITE NOTRE DAME, INC.’s “Feeding Assistance Project” will expand its mobile services to seniors at the Parkside Senior Center and to residents of the Lake and Parkside Seniors Apartments. The purchase of a van will assist in food and supplies pick-ups and deliveries.

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Grantee: FRATERNITE NOTRE DAME, INC.
2290 First Avenue
New York, NY 10035

Contact Person: Sister Marie Christine
(212) 876-5855

Organization Description:

FRATERNITE NOTRE DAME, INC., a religious and humanitarian organization, was established in East Harlem, New York in 1990. FRATERNITE has been recognized by Mayor Giuliani in 1997 and 1999 with the “Outstanding Volunteer Work for the City” award. The organization operates a soup kitchen, food pantry, after-school program and visits to individuals affected by AIDS.

Target Population:

50% of the East Harlem population is identified as Hispanic, with 41% African-American, 7% Caucasian, 1% Asian, and 1% other races. The target population median income is under \$16,600. 47% of residents have incomes under 125% of the poverty level. 23% of the population is supported by public assistance. 10% of the population is unemployed.

Grant Proposal:

FRATERNITE will open the “Mobile Soup Kitchen Program” which will provide food assistance to veterans twice per month, and twice per week services in East Harlem.

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Grantee: Georgia State University
University Plaza Room G- 76 Alumni Hall
Fulton, GA 30303

Contact Person: Ms. Albertha Barrett
(404) 651-4354

Organization Description:

Project Healthy Grandparents (PHG), sponsored by Georgia State University, provides interdisciplinary services to grandparents raising their grandchildren. Since 1995, PHG's team has provided intergenerational families in metropolitan Atlanta with health care services, social work services, grandparents support group meetings, legal assistance, and early intervention services.

Target Population:

In 1995, Project Healthy Grandparents was established in response to a critical need identified through extensive work with abused and neglected children. Many grandparents step in to raise their grandchildren when the biological parent is absent, often due to substance abuse, incarceration, or death.

In the past 10 years, PHG has provided services to more than 482 Atlanta families, including over 1133 children. Core services offered by Project Healthy Grandparents include health care services, social work case management services, parenting classes, grandparent support meetings, legal assistance, specialized mental health services for the grandchildren, and early intervention services for grandchildren.

Grant Proposal:

The mission of Project Healthy Grandparents (PHG) is to improve the quality of life for families where grandparents are raising grandchildren in parent-absent households. The goal of Project Healthy Grandparents is to strengthen these grandparent headed families by providing, link, and/or brokering social and health services and improving access to community resources.

Using the expertise of nutrition faculty and graduate students, behaviorally-focused food and nutrition messages will be delivered through interactive lectures, grocery shopping tours, and healthy food preparation demonstrations. Families will acquire the knowledge, skills, and resources to improve their overall health and quality of life by participating in:

- a nutrition and physical activity segment presented at each bi-monthly meeting of the Grandparent Group Education Class;
- a nutrition and physical activity feature incorporated into the weekly Youth Services Program; and
- a family-based intervention, implemented through home visits, to include nutrition needs assessment, intervention and follow-up tailored to specific nutrition and physical activity needs of the family.

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Grantee: Groundwork Yonkers
6 Wells Avenue
Yonkers, NY 10701

Contact Person: Mr. Rick Magder
(914) 375-2153

Organization Description:

Groundwork Yonkers began in the mid-1990s as part of a Federally sponsored groundwork movement. The groundwork model is to bring together business, government, and non-profits with the goal of improving communities. Groundwork Yonkers is dedicated to restoring low-income areas through environmental health projects that directly involve local children, youth, parents and grandparents.

Target Population:

The target population for the project is low-income individuals and families at high risk for health problems linked to poor nutrition and access to food resources. Childhood obesity, low birth weight, cardiovascular diseases and asthma are among the concerns. The project will focus on a Hispanic neighborhood that has the city's leading community garden and is located on a public housing development with more than 200 African-American families and senior citizens.

Grant Proposal:

Groundwork Yonkers proposes to mobilize resources at a grassroots level, increasing access to community gardens, farmer's markets, meal programs, and community-supported agriculture. The project will reduce barriers across racial and ethnic lines by linking and energizing efforts among food growing groups in the target area. The project will also empower urban children, youth and the elderly to eat healthier by providing unique experiences at local farms and agriculture learning centers.

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Grantee: Growing Gardens of Boulder County
3198 Broadway
Boulder, CO 80304

Contact Person: Ms. Ramona Clark
(303) 413-7248

Organization Description:

Established in 1998 to manage the City of Boulder Community Gardens Program, Growing Gardens has managed and nearly doubled the amount of gardens available to 370 plots at 4 community garden sites. Growing Gardens' mission is cultivating community through sustainable, organic gardening.

Target Population:

The target population includes 26% of individuals who have to choose between paying for food and paying for utilities or medical care. The median income of those seeking food assistance is \$831 per month. 9% of the population lives at or below Federal poverty income guidelines.

Grant Proposal:

The "Fresh Foods, Families and Fitness project" will connect city government, private businesses, local non-profits, neighborhood groups and community volunteers. This collaborative effort will promote and support local food production and significantly increase access to healthy foods for low-income families.

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Grantee: Hill Health Corporation
400 Columbus Avenue
New Haven, CT 06519

Contact Person: Mr. Cornell Scott
(203) 503-3252

Organization Description:

Hill Health Corporation (HCC) was established in 1968 and was the first community health center in Connecticut. HHC's mission is to provide accessible, comprehensive primary care services to low-income and underserved residents in the Greater New Haven area.

Target Population:

24.4% of the city's population is at or below the Federal poverty level. During FY 2004, the client target population included 35% African-American, 31% Latino, 22% Caucasian and 12% multi-racial residents.

Grant Proposal:

"KAMP ENERGY" (Kids And My Pyramid, Exercise Nutrition Education Reaching Growing Youth) is a diet and exercise program provided to children ages 5 – 12 and their families.

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Grantee: HOPE Initiatives, CDC
321 East Avenue
Rochester, NY 14604

Contact Person: Mr. Luis Perez
(585) 232-1136

Organization Description:

HOPE Initiatives, CDC provides services to distressed communities through Bethel Express (weekly outreach to inner city children), Project COPE (mentoring children of prisoners), Compassion Coalition-Rochester (providing food security resources to congregations) and juvenile chaplaincy projects.

Target Population:

1 in every 4 citizens in Rochester lives in poverty. Over 50% of the population is African-American, and 12.8% are Latino. The unemployment rate is 5.3%.

Grant Proposal:

HOPE Initiatives, CDC will establish a diverse set of improvements to food security and weekly outreach efforts. Components of a capacity-building effort include a warehouse bar coding system, refrigeration, 3 new computers and an additional forklift, all assisting with food security. HOPE Initiatives, CDC will also launch an all volunteer Good Neighbor Nurses Program, pairing nurses with ministry teams to provide weekly neighborhood outreach.

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Grantee: Hunger Action Network of NYS
260 W. 36th Street, Suite 504
New York, NY 10018

Contact Person: Ms. Bich Ha Pham
(212) 741-8192

Organization Description:

The Hunger Action Network of NYS, founded in 1982, is one of the largest and oldest statewide anti-hunger advocacy organizations in New York. Its mission is to increase communication and cooperation among programs feeding the hungry, while developing unified efforts to address the root causes of hunger.

Target Population:

The target population is the 3,000 emergency food programs, soup kitchens and food pantries, and the 3 million low-income individuals who utilize the programs annually.

Grant Proposal:

Hunger Action Network will conduct a community food assessment and statewide hunger mapping project. Hunger Network will also facilitate connections between the surplus food at New York State farmer's markets and emergency food programs, to increase the amount of fresh produce available to low-income individuals.

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Grantee: Illinois Center for Violence Prevention
70 E. Lake Street, Suite 720
Chicago, IL 60601

Contact Person: Ms. Debbie Bretag
(312) 986-9200

Organization Description:

The Illinois Center for Violence Prevention (ICVP) programs are designed to promote community, regional and statewide violence prevention strategies that address the causal factors and intervene to effect solutions to violence.

Target Population:

ICVP's target population will be decided after the onset of this project. They will collaborate with regional and statewide programs and at that time will identify a target population.

Grant Proposal:

ICVP will build the capacity of after-school programs so eligible youth can receive healthy snacks. ICVP will implement an education campaign and establish partnerships to provide necessary resources to implement food services.

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Grantee: Jacksonville Children's Commission
421 W Church Street Suite 215
Jacksonville, FL 32202

Contact Person: Ms. Linda Lanier
(904) 630-3647

Organization Description:

The Jacksonville Children's Commission (JCC) is an independent agency chartered by the City of Jacksonville in 1994. It was created by a local ordinance to better address the multiple needs of children living in Duval County, Florida.

Target Population:

100% of the children targeted for services will be attending the after school program operating at the following elementary school sites: Loa Culver; Long Branch; Saint Clair Evans; Reynolds Lane; and North Shore. All the above sites have been designated as being Title I schools and are located in needy neighborhoods as revealed by high poverty and low educational attainment rates.

Grant Proposal:

The Jacksonville Children's Commission is requesting \$49,736 in funding to create a Nutrition Education for At Risk Children (NEAR-C) Program. The primary goal of this program is to improve the overall health and nutritional well being of approximately 900 low income children, and about 300 of their caregivers residing in Duval County, Florida from October 1, 2005 to September 30, 2006.

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Grantee: Kentucky River Foothills Development Council, Inc.
309 Spangler Drive
Richmond, KY 40475

Contact Person: Ms. Vicki Jozefowicz
(859) 624-2046

Organization Description:

Kentucky River Foothills Development Council, Inc. (KRFDC) was incorporated in 1962. Its mission is “to develop economic resources so that all persons may have lives of dignity, responsibility and opportunity”. KRFDC is located in Central Appalachia, Appalachia’s most economically depressed area. KRFDC has 40 years experience in collaborative efforts, to include its role as an intermediary for a Federally-funded Compassion Capital Fund developmental grant program, and its coordination with the Regional Housing and Urban Development Continuum of Care committee.

Target Population:

KRFDC plans to engage 60 Latina women and family member participants in the direct service component of this capacity building project. KRFDC proposes to reach 1,000 additional participants, through outreach, public awareness, and family member involvement in the program.

Grant Proposal:

KRFDC proposes to provide nutritional education to low-income migrant and newly immigrated Latina women and families in the rural Appalachian counties of Bath, Madison and Clark. “Circulo de Mujeres” is a capacity building program, designed to increase self-awareness and self-efficacy related to health and nutrition among low income Latina women and their families. “Circulo de Mujeres” has 4 inter-related objectives: (1) peer led educational groups to build nutritional and wellness information and efficacy; (2) one-to-one counseling, emphasizing connectivity to existing resources and budgeting; (3) outreach and public awareness; (4) interagency collaboration related to health and wellness for the Hispanic population.

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Grantee: Lowcountry Food Bank, Inc.
1635 Cosgrove Avenue
Charleston, SC 29205

Contact Person: Mr. Archie McRee
(843) 747-8146

Organization Description:

Lowcountry Food Bank, Inc., incorporated in 1983, is supported primarily by donor contributions and grants. Lowcountry receives food donations and distributes this food to local agencies and churches that feed the hungry.

Target Population:

88% of Lowcountry's services are provided to African-American churches and faith-based feeding programs. The average per capita income of the target population is \$9,567. 46.5% of the population is not in the work force and 27.9% live in households below Federal poverty guidelines.

Grant Proposal:

Lowcountry Food Bank, Inc. will combine Community Food and Nutrition Program funding with a \$79,200 capacity-building award from the Donelly Foundation, to expand the capacity to distribute resources to mostly faith-based and African-American feeding programs in isolated pockets of poverty.

Community Food and Nutrition Program
FY 2005 Discretionary Grant Awards

Grantee: Metropolitan Family Service
1808 S. E. Belmont Street
Portland, OR 97214

Contact Person: Ms. Krista Larson
(503) 232-9178

Organization Description:

Metropolitan Family Service (MFS) assists more than 28,000 low-income families each year through 14 separate programs. Throughout its 54 year history, MFS programs have evolved to meet ever-changing community needs. MFS services mission is to strengthening families through their connections to the community, helping children succeed and helping older adults live independently.

Target Population:

44% of the target population has incomes below 200% of the Federal poverty level. 53.5% are overweight, with 18.5% meeting the definition of obese.

Grant Proposal:

MFS will establish “Strong Schools, Fit Families”, a nutrition and fitness outreach and education program. This project will instill healthy food choices, healthy food purchases, cooking techniques and moderate exercise into the lives of low-income families.

Community Food and Nutrition Program
FY 2005 Discretionary Grant Awards

Grantee: Montefiore Medical Center
317 E 64th Street
New York, NY 10021

Contact Person: Mr. Victor Hatcher
(718) 920-4151

Organization Description:

For the past 18 years, the New York Children's Help Project has delivered high-quality, comprehensive health care services to over 12,000 individuals each year, with mobile health teams operating in uniquely-designed mobile medical units or on-site clinical space at 12 homeless shelter and drop-in sites throughout Manhattan, Brooklyn, the Bronx, and Queens. These teams, made up of medical providers, nurses, mental health providers and support personnel, provide comprehensive primary care and mental health services on a regular weekly or twice weekly schedule.

Target Population:

Services are targeted to homeless families temporarily housed in the city's family and domestic violence shelter systems and runaway street youth receiving supportive services at two locations in Manhattan.

Grant Proposal:

The "Food as Medicine" initiative is a capacity building program designed to promote the prevention and treatment of chronic diseases through enhanced nutrition interventions that encourage health and wellness lifestyle changes in homeless families. Using the harm reduction approaches and activities that were piloted in our individual counseling and workshop interventions, the "Food as Medicine" initiative will reinforce the message that diet quality and an enhanced nutrition status plays a significant role in optimal physical and mental health.

Community Food and Nutrition Program
FY 2005 Discretionary Grant Awards

Grantee: Native American Health Center, Inc.
3124 International Boulevard
Oakland, CA 94601

Contact Person: Mr. Ashley Phillips
(510) 535-0555

Organization Description:

Native American Health Center, founded in 1972, provides community health care and prevention services to American Indians and Alaskan Natives. Native American Health Center's mission is "to assist American Indians and Alaskan Natives to improve and maintain their physical, mental, emotional, social and spiritual well-being, with respect for cultural traditions, and to advocate for the needs of all Indian people, especially the most vulnerable members of the community".

Target Population:

The Fruitvale/San Antonio community is known for its diversity and its high concentration of immigrants. According to the 2000 Census, 48 % of residents are foreign born. The neighborhoods contain the highest concentration of TANF recipients in the entire county. Twenty-five percent of the population is living in poverty, according to the U. S. Department of Health and Human Services poverty income guidelines.

Grant Proposal:

Native American Health Center proposes to develop a coordinated and innovative approach to delivering nutrition education and improving access to healthy, nutritious food for low-income community members that live in the Fruitvale and San Antonio neighborhoods of Oakland.

Program objectives are: (1) expand the availability of healthy and nutritious food in the community for low-income residents; (2) improve mechanisms for linking low-income residents to existing food and nutrition programs; (3) expand community-based activities that promote good nutrition and physical activity, to prevent obesity and chronic disease.

Community Food and Nutrition Program
FY 2005 Discretionary Grant Awards

Grantee: New Mount Olive Missionary Baptist Church, Inc.
76625 Garner Lane
Grosse Tete, LA 70740

Contact Person: Mrs. Juanita Hill
(225) 648-2443

Organization Description:

New Mount Olive Missionary Baptist Church, Inc. (NMOMBC) is a faith-based organization, established nearly 100 years ago. Their feeding program, initiated in 1996, served 35 recipients its first year. In 2004, the feeding program served 200 participants.

Target Population:

The target population is residents of the Grosse Tete, Rosedale and Maringouin communities. 23.9% of residents in these communities live below the poverty level.

Grant Proposal:

NMOMBC plans to replace residential kitchen appliances with commercial kitchen equipment, and purchase industrial-size cooking utensils, preparation tables, shelving for food and supplies, and purchase one van for transporting meals.

Community Food and Nutrition Program
FY 2005 Discretionary Grant Awards

Grantee: Northside Inter-Church Agency, Inc.
1600 Circle Park Blvd
Fort Worth, TX 76105

Contact Person: Connie Nahoolewa
(817) 626-1102

Organization Description:

Northside Inter-Church Agency (NICA) is a faith-based community organization whose mission is to the cycles of hunger and poverty by helping people in need themselves and their neighbors. Emergency services address short-term needs while education, mentoring and training provide hope and pathway for families to break free. NICA serves a 12 zip code area in northwest Tarrant County Texas.

Target Population:

Northside is home to hard-working families faced with a full-time employment rate of only 43.6%. Because salary levels are low, families are easily overwhelmed if an emergency arises often beyond their reach. The challenge is to gain the ability to work past a crisis, connecting with community resources or implementing long-term methods to generate more income and reduce expenses.

Located in Fort Worth Texas, NICA is nestled in a Hispanic neighborhood adjacent to Near Northside Partners Council, Northside Boys' and Girls' Club, Wesley Community Center, Northside Child Development Center, Northside Public Library, Neighborhood Housing Services, Northside Recreation and several schools and churches. The Salud Para la Vida/Health for Life program targets low income households who meet the 2005 poverty guidelines published by the Department of Health and Human Services.

Grant Proposal:

The guiding principle behind Salud Para la Vida/Health for Life Program is based on the Community Food and Nutrition Program's (CFNP) objective to link low-income people to food and nutrition programs. Salud Para La Vida is designed to provide innovative nutrition programming and services for Northside's Hispanic population with an emphasis on obesity.

Three goals are proposed:

Goal #1: Develop programming for low-income children and adults to educate and encourage healthy eating habits while addressing obesity, by providing a full-range of nutrition classes and services that accommodate their specific cultural and nutritional needs.

Goal #2: Focus on improving the diet of low-income households by increasing the amount of fresh fruits and vegetables distributed to households, and working with families to grow their own vegetables in a community garden.

Goal #3: Increase the capacity and outreach of NICA by creating the position of Program Coordinator to plan and manage programs, services, special events, and collaborations associated with the Salud Para la Vida/Health for life program.

Community Food and Nutrition Program
FY 2005 Discretionary Grant Awards

Grantee: Of One Accord Ministry
P. O. Box 207
Rogersville, TN 37857

Contact Person: Mr. Sheldon Livesay
(423) 921-8044

Organization Description:

Of One Accord (OOA) Ministry is a faith-based community service organization dedicated to building a cooperative effort among churches, businesses, schools, and organizations to identify and meet public needs through public support. OOA began its operations in 1988 by distributing emergency food to persons in need.

Target Population:

OOA will serve low-income school-aged children and senior citizens living within a ten mile radius of Rogersville, Tennessee.

Grant Proposal:

OOA will transform a school bus into a mobile cafeteria to implement a summer food service program for children living in housing projects and low-income mobile home parks. OOA will provide nutrition and disease management education to participants and will track behavior changes as a result of this education.

Community Food and Nutrition Program
FY 2005 Discretionary Grant Awards

Grantee: Project Angel Heart
4190 Garfield Street, Unit 5
Denver, CO 80216

Contact Person: Ms. Erin Fulling
(303) 830-0202

Organization Description:

Project Angel Heart is renowned in Denver and throughout Colorado for its community-based services, receiving the 20002 “Colorado’s Most Outstanding Non-Profit Organization” award, the award for “Distinguished Community Partner 2004-2005” and November 13, 2001 was designated “Project angel Heart Day” by the Mayor of Denver.

Target Population:

Project Angel Heart serves low-income and the underserved in the Denver area.

Grant Proposal:

Project Angel Heart will expand its home-delivered meal program through collaboration with faith-based organizations. This will result in an increased ability to prevent illness. Over \$415,000 in community resources will augment the one year

Community Food and Nutrition Program
FY 2005 Discretionary Grant Awards

Grantee: Project Hospitality, Inc.
100 Park Avenue
Staten Island, NY 10302

Contact Person: Mr. Terry Troia
(718) 448-1544

Organization Description:

Project Hospitality began its work with poverty issues in 1982, as an interfaith volunteer emergency response to the needs of the hungry and homeless on Staten Island. Incorporated in 1984, this volunteer community network implements life-saving measures for the homeless population by providing emergency outreach, food, clothing, and shelter.

Target Population:

Demographics of the borough of Staten Island are 77.6% Caucasian, 12% Latino, 9.7% African-American, 5.7% Asian Pacific Islander, and 6.8% multi-racial. 95,327 Staten Island residents live below 200% of the poverty level. Unemployment is 6.5%.

Grant Proposal:

Project Hospitality will provide a faith-based food donation resource, the “Food First Hunger Team”, which will establish ongoing food drives for their food pantry and soup kitchen.

Community Food and Nutrition Program
FY 2005 Discretionary Grant Awards

Grantee: Puerto Rican Cultural Center
2739-41 W. Division St
Chicago, IL 60622

Contact Person: Mr. Miguel Morales
(773) 278-6737

Organization Description:

The Puerto Rican Cultural Center (PRCC) is one of the strongest community organizations in a city known for the strength of its community organizations. It is located in the middle of the Project Area, which is also the heart of Chicago's Puerto Rican community. PRCC is a 32 year-old umbrella organization that encompasses an alternative (charter) high school, parenting child learning center, HIV organization, day care center, museum, and youth project café.

Target Population:

According to the 2000 Census, there are 38,480 residents in the Humboldt Park project area, of which 33% are Puerto Rican, 28% are Mexican and 18% are Black. The remaining residents are either Hispanic people of different origin (8%) or non-Hispanic Caucasian (12%).

These 38,480 people residing in about 17,000 households are those that will be targeted by the work in this proposal with special emphasis to be paid to households including children and adults living below 200% of the poverty level.

Grant Proposal:

The purpose of this proposal is to create a strategy that will employ community assets and a coalition of community and professional organizations to ultimately remedy food insecurity in Humboldt Park and therefore improve the health, well being, and quality of life individuals within an economically disadvantaged but determined community.

Community Food and Nutrition Program
FY 2005 Discretionary Grant Awards

Grantee: Rhode Island Farmers Market Nutrition Program
Canon Building, 3 Capitol Hill, Room 303
Providence, RI 02908

Contact Person: Dr. David Gifford
(401) 222-2231

Organization Description:

Rhode Island farmers Market Nutrition Program (RIFMNP) operates the USDA Farmers Nutrition Program throughout Rhode Island. RIFMNP has a decade of experience in developing, implementing and managing projects to improve the nutritional status of WIC recipients.

Target Population:

The target population is WIC recipients - nutritionally vulnerable women, infants and children who also face significant economic stress.

Grant Proposal:

RIFMNP will provide nutrition education, assisting WIC recipients to increase their consumption of fruits and vegetables as means to prevent obesity.

Community Food and Nutrition Program
FY 2005 Discretionary Grant Awards

Grantee: Rock Forge Neighborhood House, Inc
PO Box 847
Dellslow, WV 26531

Contact Person: Ms. Alexis McMillen
(304) 292-3286

Organization Description:

Rock Forge Neighborhood House, Inc. is a sponsored mission of Rock Forge Presbyterian Church, the Presbytery of West Virginia, and is also supported by the United Way of Monongalia and Preston Counties. Originally part of the Mountaineer Mining Mission project, the facility has offered community-based programs and services for low- income residents since 1946.

Target Population:

The target population for this project is low-income people who reside in Monongalia County (2002 estimated population: 82,895) in north-central West Virginia. According to the 2002 Small Area Income & Poverty Estimates by the U.S. Census, 16.1% of persons were living below the poverty level in West Virginia, which was four percent above the national projection of 12.1%.

Grant Proposal:

The “Families First Community Nutrition Program” project is designed to improve the nutrition of low-income families in Monongalia as well as surrounding counties in north-central West Virginia. The main component of this project is educational workshops focusing on nutrition. The goal of the “Families First Community Nutrition Program” is to further develop and expand nutrition workshops in order to accommodate more low-income families and to strengthen community nutrition collaborations within Monongalia County and surrounding areas.

Community Food and Nutrition Program
FY 2005 Discretionary Grant Awards

Grantee: San Antonio Food Bank
4311 Director Drive
San Antonio, TX 78219

Contact Person: Mr. Eric Cooper
(210) 337-3663

Organization Description:

The San Antonio Food Bank (SAFB) compliments its core mission activities of providing emergency food to 40,000 poor families monthly with several initiatives designed to empower such families, above and beyond providing simple emergency sustenance. These initiatives include a food stamp outreach and education program and a federally funded summer feeding program.

Target Population:

Individuals and families with very low incomes or who are on public assistance, residing in San Antonio's Bexar County and the fifteen surrounding counties that the SAFB serves will be targeted.

Grant Proposal:

Funds obtained from this grant will be utilized to improve nutritional services to low-income individuals by joining efforts with ongoing national campaigns such as Food Stamps and WIC, to promote healthy literacy through the San Antonio Food Bank's My Food & Nutrition (MFN) and Food Fair programs. The MFN program will educate low-income individuals to understand basic government dietary recommendations to improve their health and nutritional status. Emphasis for this project will be focused on rural counties.

Community Food and Nutrition Program
FY 2005 Discretionary Grant Awards

Grantee: Second Harvest Food Bank of East Central Indiana
1417 Meridian St
Anderson, IN 46016

Contact Person: Lois Rockhill
(765) 649-0291

Organization Description:

Second Harvest Food Bank of East Central Indiana was incorporated in 1983 and solicits stores and distributes food for hunger relief to 123 programs in 8 counties including food pantries, soup kitchens and shelters. Second Harvest programs include basic food distribution, salvage reclamation, mobile food pantry, and the Kids Café. Second Harvest distributed 4.2 million pounds of food in 2004.

Target Population:

The project will focus on two communities, Anderson in Madison County and Muncie in Delaware County. These two cities comprise the largest need area in the eight counties served by Second Harvest Food Bank of East Central Indiana.

Grant Proposal:

The project will make food assistance more easily available to people in need by strengthening and linking the networks that provide the food. Pantries will be brought together to identify and correct gaps in service.

Community Food and Nutrition Program
FY 2005 Discretionary Grant Awards

Grantee: Seeds of Solidarity Education Center, Inc.
165 Chestnut Hill Road
Orange, MA 01364

Contact Person: Dr. Deborah Habib
(978) 544-9023

Organization Description:

Seeds of solidarity Education center, Inc., incorporated in May 2000, reflects 20 years of experience in sustainable agriculture and is totally powered by renewable energy sources.

Target Population:

23% of the children in Orange live below 100% of the poverty level.
40% of residents cannot afford basic needs without subsidies, such as WIC supplemental food checks, fuel assistance, child care subsidy or rent subsidy.

Grant Proposal:

“Cultivating Hope, Nourishing Community” will prevent obesity among low-income children. This project will produce school gardens and greenhouses implemented as partnerships between Seeds and area schools. Low-income Children will learn to grow, prepare and consume fresh food and will be taught obesity prevention, nutrition and the ecological impact of healthy diet.

Community Food and Nutrition Program
FY 2005 Discretionary Grant Awards

Grantee: Sister of Charity Health System
PO Box 7291
Lewiston, ME 04243

Contact Person: Ms. Kathryn Davis
(207) 777-8828

Organization Description:

Sisters of Charity Health System's "Lots to Gardens" was started in 2000 with youth and community members to create gardens and green spaces in Lewiston. Now in their fifth season, Sisters of Charity cultivates over 14 lots in four diverse neighborhoods of low-income.

Target Population:

The target population has limited consumption of fresh fruit and vegetables and will benefit from increased awareness of nutrition services available. The target population includes families and senior citizens of low-income who reside in the Enterprise Community and Lewiston Public Housing.

Grant Proposal:

Sisters of Charity Health System will establish "Lots to Gardens" for three interconnected projects in the federally designated Enterprise Community public housing in Lewiston:

- 1) to develop a permanent community gardening and nutrition education site
- 2) to develop a pilot program of Neighborhood Nutrition Educators and
- 3) to create a curriculum for nutrition and cooking classes.

Community Food and Nutrition Program
FY 2005 Discretionary Grant Awards

Grantee: St. Joseph/Candler Health System
5353 Reynolds Street
Savannah, GA 31405

Contact Person: Mr. Paul Hinchey
(912) 819-6901

Organization Description:

St. Joseph's/Candler African-American Health Information and Resource Center partners with the Health Disparities Coalition. Their primary goal is to provide county-wide obesity intervention and outreach to low-income families.

Target Population:

St. Joseph's/Candler will provide a food and nutrition program to the City of Savannah Community Development Block Grant target area, which includes 39,000 African-Americans, 5,306 Caucasians, 317 Hispanics, and 200 multi-racial residents. 33.1% of residents live below the poverty level.

Grant Proposal:

St. Joseph's/Candler will expand the Health Disparities Coalition by developing a local Obesity Task Force. Low-income children and parents will receive cooking and kitchen management skills, along with nutrition information regarding healthier food choices and increased physical activity. The Obesity Task Force will survey daycare providers and community centers within low-income neighborhoods to assure that USDA dietary guidelines are utilized.

Community Food and Nutrition Program
FY 2005 Discretionary Grant Awards

Grantee: Taos County Economic Development Corporation
PO Box 1389
Taos, NM 87571

Contact Person: Ms. Terri Bad Hand
(505) 758-8731

Organization Description:

In the face of wealthy in-migration, this community struggles to retain its physical health, agricultural history and cultural tradition. As a foundation of economic development in Taos for nearly 20 years, Taos County Economic Development Corporation (TCEDC) is itself a “local” and provides direct access to low-income community integration. During this time, TCEDC has been developing and assembling the components of a community food system for Northern New Mexico.

Target Population:

This project is targeted toward the Hispanic and Native American population in Taos.

Grant Proposal:

“Nutriendo el Futuro” (Nourishing the Future) exemplifies the effort to preserve the health and quality of life of native Taosenos. The project is rooted in an understanding that by engaging entire families in nutrition intervention, change takes place for generations. In this way, the project will “nourish the future” of the people of Taos: engaging their strengths, history and culture, while utilizing the ancient tradition of sharing nutritious food as an agent of change for the future.

Community Food and Nutrition Program
FY 2005 Discretionary Grant Awards

Grantee: United Way of Palm Beach County, Inc.
2600 Quantum Boulevard
Boynton Beach, FL 33426

Contact Person: Mr. Scott Badesch
(561) 375-6600

Organization Description:

Since 1982, United Way of Palm Beach County, Inc. has been identifying community needs and seeking to improve the quality of life for low-income neighborhoods.

Target Population:

36,000 households in Palm Beach County are food insecure with hunger.
82% of these households reported incomes below \$35,000 per year.
52% have not earned a high school diploma or equivalent. 36% of the children are overweight.

Grant Proposal:

“Grandma’s Nutrition Kitchen” will provide delivery of nutrition education through culturally appropriate food-related demonstrations in low-income neighborhoods. These neighborhoods have high rates of obesity, diabetes, hunger and unemployment. Senior members of these neighborhoods will receive training in healthy cooking, food budgeting and healthy lifestyle options.

Community Food and Nutrition Program
FY 2005 Discretionary Grant Awards

Grantee: The United Teen Equality Center, Inc.
106 Merrimack St
Lowell, MA 01852

Contact Person: Mr. Gregg Croteau
(617) 233-3095

Organization Description:

Nearly six years ago, the United Teen Equality Center (UTEC) was first established from an organizing movement by young people to develop their own teen center in response to the gang violence. The initial planning of UTEC dates back to 1997, when the Downtown Neighborhood Association (DNA) and the City of Lowell's Streetworker Program were propelled by a group of teenagers who stressed that there was no place to "hang out" in the downtown area.

Target Population:

The average age range of the target population is 16-17 years old. With a mission that mandates gender, race, and ethnical balance in all matters, approximately 45% of UTEC members are Latino, 25% Southeast Asian, 16% African –American, 10% African, and 4% Caucasian. The gender ratio is approximately 50/50. 43% of teen members have dropped out of school, many of those coming from single parent households.

Grant Proposal:

As a youth – led project, the overall goal of the Farm Project is to decrease the cycle of dependency and create a long – term means for self – sufficient, nutritious community food security through a collaborative and integrative approach to enhancing Lowell's food system, especially for its low-income neighborhoods and families.

Community Food and Nutrition Program
FY 2005 Discretionary Grant Awards

Grantee: Vista Community Clinic
1000 Vale Terrace
Vista, CA 92084

Contact Person: Ms. Barbara Mannino
(760) 631-5000

Organization Description:

Since 1972, Vista Community Clinic (VCC) has served uninsured, low-income residents of north San Diego County. VCC offers primary health care services to over 120,000 residents each year, through 60 clinical and community-based programs.

Target Population:

VCC's target population is 61% Hispanic, 21% Caucasian, 4% African-American, and 1% Asian Pacific Islander, with 13% of the population not documented.

Grant Proposal:

VCC will expand its program, "Habitos Sanos". 50 low-income children ages birth through 5 years old will receive monitoring of dietary behavior. Their parents will receive nutrition and fitness education.

Community Food and Nutrition Program
FY 2005 Discretionary Grant Awards

Grantee: Work America, Inc.
3050 Biscayne Boulevard
Suite 501
Miami, FL 33137

Contact Person: Mr. Herbert J. Coleman
(305) 576-3333

Organization Description:

Work America was founded in 1996 and has been active in the Miami- Dade community implementing a wide range of economic and social services projects. The company's management staff has over fifty-five years of public and private nonprofit sector experience in the areas on economic development and empowerment, affordable housing, juvenile delinquency, HIV/AIDS prevention and awareness, job training/ placement, adult education, and youth education (Charter School). Work America targets residents of very low to moderate-income communities.

Target Population:

The Homestead and Florida City communities are excellent examples of where nutrition prevention and intervention services would be extremely beneficial. Families in these areas of Miami –Dale County are U.S. born Americans who have lived all their lives in poverty; immigrants who have come to America to make a better life; and others from poor Caribbean and Latin Countries where proper nutrition is not a high priority. Low income is a major contributor to poor health of both individuals and their families.

Grant Proposal:

Work America proposes:

- to establish public/private partnerships that provide youth, who are economically challenged, the opportunity to obtain a high quality education at a public charter school through small classroom sizes, exceptional teachers, and innovative strategies.
- to implement an economic infrastructure for residents of urban and rural communities that will create wealth-generating opportunities that ultimately lead to economic self-sufficiency.
- to work with local healthcare agencies to support and educate residents in urban an rural areas who cannot afford proper healthcare and who do not understand the importance of good preventive care for silent killers such as diabetes, heart disease, hypertension, strokes, malnutrition, and cancer.

